

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A hot contact adapter for use with portable computing devices, such as laptop, notebook and tablet computers, PDA's and gaming devices, is disclosed. The adapter has a plug which fits in the power input port of the device and a body have a distal surface with exposed electrodes formed thereon. The device, with the adapter mounted thereon, may then be used with a charging cradle having electrodes which contact the adapter electrodes when the device is placed in the cradle. The cradle is connected to a source of power, such that power is supplied to the device in the cradle via the adapter.